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Food Items and Kerosene for Public Distribution System

†2914. SHRI MOOLCHAND MEENA: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the quantum of food items and Kerosene being provided for the Public Distribution System, State-wise;
- (b) whether any complaints with regard to irregularities have been received against the agencies and individuals engaged in the PDS; and
 - (c) if so, the action taken so far against them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI SHRIRAM CHAUHAN): (a) A statement indicating Statewise and month-wise allocations of the rice, wheat, sugar and kerosene for the month of March, 2001 is given (See below).

(b) and (c) Public Distribution System (PDS) is an operation of vast magnitude involving large number of agencies under the joint responsibility of the Centre and the State Governments. As such offences committed by some functionaries owing to temptations of easy black money cannot be ruled out. The responsibility for identification of the families living below the poverty line, issue of ration cards to them for distribution of essential commodities under the PDS through the Fair Price Shops in a transparent and accountable manner rests with the State Government. The complaints received are investigated at appropriate level.

The State Governments have been requested to closely monitor the †Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

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Public Distribution System at the Fair Price Shop (FPS) and other levels and to make foolproof arrangement for distribution of PDS commodities. They have been requested to actively involve the Panchayati Raj Institutions in monitoring and supervision of the work of the FPS owners as measure of social audit to check diversion of essential commodities distributed under the PDS. They have also been asked to eliminate bogus ration cards and initiate action against erring FPS owners under section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act 1955.

Statement

State-wise monthly allocation of Rice, Wheat, Kerosene and Sugar for PDS (March, 2001)

SI. No.	State/UT	Rice WheatKerosene Sugar (in '000 (in '000(in MTs)(in MTs) tonnes) tonnes)				
	Andhra Pradesh	235.176	8.000	54188	9690	
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	7.656	0.710	863	834	
3.	Assam	64.060	10.300	22777	18337	
4.	Bihar	56.081	84.122	55924	20516	
5.	Chhattisgarh	30.925	10.852	13065	4512	
6.	Goa	4.090	1.930	2340	120	
7.	Gujarat	34.961	54.941	69369\$	5841	
8.	Haryana	0	15.380	14666	2485	
9.	Himachal Pradesh	9.687	7.657	5122	4698	
10.	Jammu & Kashmir	21.910	10.320	9238**	6962	
11.	Jharkhand	20.559	30.838	18780	6948	
12.	Karnataka	130.068	31.767	44554	8636	

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13.	Kerala	145.697	37.720	25816	4103
14.	Madhya Pradesh	28.377	62.688	44174	12441
15.	Maharashtra	68.116	126.325	126662	16792
16.	Manipur	5.460	1.710	1898	1763
17.	Meghalaya	18.728	1.000	1758	1704
18.	Mizoram	8.175	2.010	683	666
19.	Nagaland	10.170	1.920	1198	1179
20.	Orissa	69.675	0	27382	8707
21.	Punjab	1.760	9.389	28594	1385
22.	Rajasthan	1.328	79.735	37650	7342
23.	Sikkim	7.839	0.100	658	391
24.	Tamil Nadu	135.696	0	60006	10820
25.	Tripura	13.740	1.280	2731	2647
26.	Uttar Pradesh	68.010	145.929	110693	33013
27.	Uttaranchal	6.190	4.241	9623	6033
28.	West Bengal	56.946	114.224	68042	14087
29.	A&N Islands	2.651 [†] *	0.820	561	389
3 0.	Chandigarh	0.210	1.290	1284	62
31.	D&N Haveli	0.436	0.114	270	48
32.	Daman & Diu	0.163	0.067	203	11
33.	Delhi	13.610	42.640	17056	2610
34.	Lakshadweep	0.545 [†] *	0.042**	77	115
35 .	Pondicherry	3.962	0.520	1280	243

^{\$} Allocation includes 390 MTs to be given to fishing sector every month throughout the year.

^{**} The SKO allocation to J&K State is given in two blocks i.e. Summer (April-September) and Winter (October to March) @ 60% of annual allocation during winter and 40% in Summer block.

^{†*} Allocation of foodgrains for these two States are made annually.